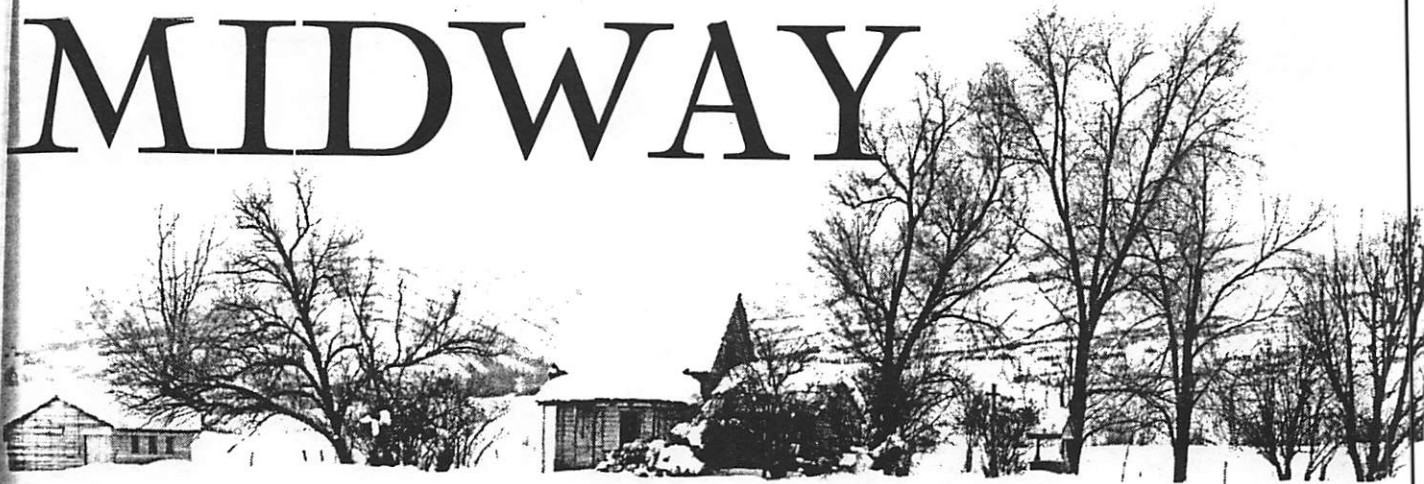
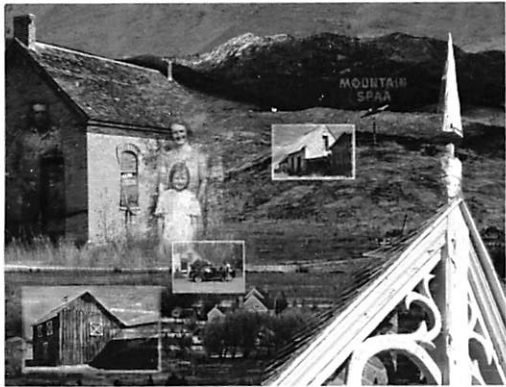


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## Doctrine and Covenants

● The ancient Greek sculpture the Venus de Milo is discovered on a Greek island.

1823

21-22 Sept.: Joseph is first instructed by Angel Moroni, shown gold plates at Hill Cumorah.

19 Nov.: Joseph's brother Alvin Smith dies.

2 Dec.: The "Monroe Doctrine," excluding European intervention in the politics of any American republics, is announced by President James Monroe.

1825

October-November: Joseph is hired by Josiah Stowell to dig for purported Spanish treasure in Harmony, Susquehanna, Pa.; meets future wife, Emma Hale.

26 Oct.: New York's Erie Canal opens between Lake Erie at Buffalo and the Hudson River.

1827

16 Jan.: Joseph and Emma Hale are married by Zachariah Tardie, South Bainbridge, Chenango County, N.Y.

22 Sept.: Joseph obtains the Book of Mormon plates from Angel Moroni at Hill Cumorah.

● Waterwheel turbine devised by Frenchman Benoit Fourneyron.

● In 26 days a sailing vessel embarked at New Orleans, La., and arrived in Liverpool, England.

1828

February: Book of Mormon characters shown to Charles Anthon and Samuel L. Mitchell by Martin Harris.

● July: 116 manuscript pages of the Book of Lehi are lost while in possession of Martin Harris (Doctrine and Covenants 3:10).

4 July: Ground-breaking ceremonies mark the beginning of the first U.S. passenger railroad, the Baltimore & Ohio.

● Andrew Jackson is elected president of the U.S.

2 Jan.: At third general conference of the Church held at Fayette, the saints are instructed to gather to Ohio, Doctrine and Covenants 37.

1 Feb.: Joseph arrives in Kirtland, Geauga County, Ohio. Creation of properties, (Doctrine and Covenants 42)

9 Feb.: Joseph receives the law of the Church and consecration of properties, (Doctrine and Covenants 42)

3 June: At fourth general conference of the Church, the first high priests are ordained, Kirtland.

20 July: Independence, Jackson County, Mo., is designated the center place for Zion, (Doctrine and Covenants 57)

3 Aug.: Joseph dedicates temple site in Independence, Mo., (Doctrine and Covenants 57)

12 Dec.: Republican Party held the first nominating convention of a major party in the U.S.

● McCormick reaper is demonstrated by Virginia farmer Cyrus Hall McCormick. Reaper allows one person to do the work of five.

1832

25 Jan.: Joseph is sustained as President of the High Priesthood, Amherst, Ohio.

16 Feb.: Joseph receives, with Sidney Rigdon, vision of the three degrees of glory, (Doctrine and Covenants 76)

24 March: Joseph is tarred and feathered with Sidney Rigdon near John Johnson home, Hiram, Ohio.

June: The Evening and Morning Star is published at Independence.

25 Dec.: Joseph receives revelation, "Prophecy on War" (Doctrine and Covenants 87)

23 Dec.: Book of Mormon translated.

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A year after Thomas Jefferson was re-elected president of the United States and Napoleon Bonaparte was named emperor by the French senate and tribunal, the Prophet Joseph Smith was born.

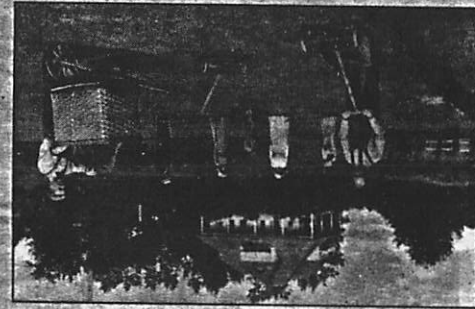


Photo by George Edward Anderson  
Residents of cottage at Joseph Smith Memorial in Sharon, Vt., pose for photograph in early 1900s.

1805

23 Dec.: Joseph Smith Jr. is born in Sharon Township, Windsor County, Vt., to Joseph Smith Sr. and Lucy Mack Smith.

21 Oct.: A Royal British Navy fleet commanded by Admiral Horatio Nelson defeats the French and Spanish fleets at the Battle of Trafalgar. Napoleon's threatened invasion of Britain is ended.

7 Nov.: Expedition to the northwest of North America of Meriwether Lewis and William Clark reaches the Pacific Ocean via the Columbia River.

1812

18 June: U.S. President James Madison signed the declaration commencing the War of 1812 with Britain.

1813

● About this time Joseph contracts typhus (typhoid) fever. Complications require a leg operation by Dr. Nathan Smith, et al., West Lebanon, Grafton County, N.H.

● Smith family rents a farm from Constant Murdock in South Royalty, Vt., is picturesque area near Joseph Smith's birthplace about turn of 19th Century.



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1829

7 April: Joseph resumes translation of the ancient record with scribe Oliver Cowdery.

15 May: Joseph and Oliver receive the Aaronic Priesthood from John the Baptist, Harmony, Pa.

May-June: Joseph and Oliver receive the Melchizedek Priesthood and Apostleship from Peter, James and John near the Susquehanna River.

11 June: Copyright to the Book of Mormon secured. Three and Eight Witnesses view the gold plates.

1814

August: Washington, D.C., is sacked and burned by British forces.

1814

● Novels: *Fanny Hill* and *Pygmalion* by English writer Austen and *The Swiss Family Robinson* by Swiss writer Johann Rudolf Wyss are published.

7 Sept.: Term "Uncle Sam" is first used to mean the United States, Troy (New York) Post.

● The first power loom is produced by Englishman William Horrocks.

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